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U.S.PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE GEORGE F. ARCHAMBAULT CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Recognizes senior civil service or commissioned corps pharmacist serving under the authority of the PHS, with at least 15 years of PHS service for outstanding achievements and /or contributions to the pharmacy profession in the PHS.

CAPT J. CRAIG HOSTETLER

For exceptional professional performance throughout his career that brought distinction to the profession of pharmacy while delivering pharmacy services for vulnerable persons served by DHHS, the 2004 Career Achievement Award was presented to CAPT J. Craig Hostetler.

His thirty-one-year career has been devoted to the pharmacist's role in health services delivery. In each assignment he produced results that improved patient health outcomes and further integrated the role of the pharmacist into the health care team.

His leadership qualities were demonstrated early during his COSTEP service as President of the Student American Pharmacists Association while at the University of Kansas. He has taken each opportunity since then to improve patient care that has increased the pharmacist's role in health care. It has resulted in:

- Improved patient care for thousands of patients in Indian reservations and achieved full JCAHO re-accreditation for one of the facilities.
- Increased numbers of health professionals recruited to serve rural and poor urban communities providing increased health care access to these underserved regions.
- Thirty-four grantee networks that have 111 participating grantees operating 196 delivery sites serving 750,000 patients in 25 states and working with eight schools and colleges of pharmacy
- Numerous COSTEPS under his mentorship have been inspired to continue their career and association with the U.S.Public Health Service
- Infant and maternal mortality rates have declined significantly at the Rabia Balkhi Hospital in Kabul because fo his leadership in support of the DHHS initiative in Afghanistan

CAPT Hostetler began his Federal career in the Indian Health Service (IHS), assigned to four different reservations, and doing temporary duty in six sites between Point Barrow, Alaska and Winnebago, Nebraska. In his final IHS assignment in Rapid City, South Dakota, CAPT Hostetler served as Director of Pharmacy Services, and as Quality Assurance Director. Under his leadership the Hospital regained full JCAHO accreditation.

He has been the Senior Pharmacy Management Officer in the Pharmacy Affairs Branch in the Bureau of Primary Health Care since 1999. He has most recently served as the department's senior representative to other Federal agencies in Kabul, including the U.S. Embassy, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Mission, the U.S. Department of Defense, and other organizations based in Kabul which are involved in the reconstructions efforts in Afghanistan. Detailed to the DHHS Office of Global Health Affairs, the purpose of his assignment also involved assisting with hospital administration, project coordination, and on-the-ground logistics management issues relating to the Rabia Balkhi Hospital in Kabul, Afghanistan.

CAPT Hostetler's leadership has been demonstrated by his service on key professional committees and workgroups within the Service. He has served as chair of the Pharmacist Professional Advisory Committee to the Chief Professional office and the Surgeon General (PharmPAC), regularly mentors COSTEPS, and has served on the Integrating Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse into Primary Care Task Force, the Workgroup on Health Disparities. He served as the Chief of Recruitment and Outreach Branch for the National Health Service Corps, given much of the credit for pharmacist being eligible for placement as National Health Service Corps assignees.

CAPT J. Craig Hostetler demonstrates the highest qualities and values of a pharmacist officer in the U.S.Public Health Service and brings distinction to the Archambault Career Achievement Award for 2004.